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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)**

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Dear Sir:

1. On February 18, 2005, an Office Action concerning the above-identified application was mailed.
2. On June 16, 2005, a Response to the February 18, 2005, Office Action was filed, along with a Request for a One-Month Extension of Time.
3. On August 23, 2005, an Office Communication was mailed stating that the Response filed on June 16, 2005, was not fully responsive. The August 23, 2005, Office Communication required a response within 30 days. This 30-day period, however, was extendable under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

4. On December 20, 2005, a Response to the August 23, 2005, Office Communication was filed. A constructive Request for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3) was filed on June 16, 2005, which authorized an extension of time for all replies. Nevertheless, the December 20, 2005, Response to the August 23, 2005, Office Communication was deemed untimely by the Office.

5. On June 19, 2007, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed.

6. This application became abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Office Action of February 18, 2005, and the Office Communication of August 23, 2005.

7. This application became abandoned because the failure to prosecute was an unintentional delay. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date of the February 18, 2005, Office Action and August 23, 2005, Office Communication until the filing of this petition was unintentional (37 C.F.R. §1.137 (b)(3)).

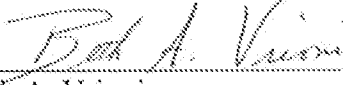
8. In response to the August 23, 2005, Office Communication and the February 18, 2005, Office Action, Applicants submit a copy of the Supplemental Response that was filed on December 20, 2005.

9. Because the status of the above-identified application is other than a small entity, authorization is given to charge deposit account no. 01-0025 in the amount of \$1,500.00 to cover the fee for the Petition to Revive and any additional fees incurred as a result of the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, Applicants request that the Office reconsider whether the abandonment was proper and waive the fee associated with the Petition to Revive.

10. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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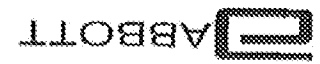
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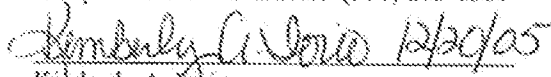
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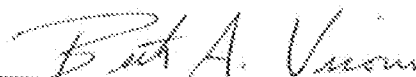
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